

**MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP DEVOLVED FUNDING AND DEVOLVED
SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday, 15 December 2022**

PRESENT: Councillor West (Chair); Councillors Beswick, Burke, Dale, N. Emmott, Hodgkinson, S. Smith, D. Williams, P. Williams, Wolf and Wynne.

OFFICERS: A. Webster, M. Bobrowicz and L. Mason (Neighbourhoods Directorate) and J. Jenkinson (Corporate Services).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Two members of the public.

13 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Peter Allonby, Susan Emmott and Sara Rowbotham.

14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In relation to agenda Item No. 8 Middleton Township Funds 2022/23, late application 'Bowlee Heritage Group' Councillor Susan Smith declared that she was a Trustee of Bowlee Community Association. Councillor Susan Smith left the room during the discussion and vote on the application.

15 ITEMS FOR EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

There were no exempt reports to consider.

16 URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

The Chair reported that an additional application for funding had been received from Bowlee Heritage Group. Copies of the application were circulated at the meeting.

17 MINUTES

Resolved: That the minutes of the Middleton Township Devolved Funding and Devolved Services Sub Committee held on 6th October 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record.

18 MIDDLETON TOWNSHIP FUNDS 2022/23

The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Director of Neighbourhoods which provided an update on revenue and capital expenditure, commitments and balances of Middleton Township Funds 2022/23 and to enable the Sub-Committee to consider the allocation of funds to proposed projects.

Alternatives considered:

In considering the report, Members could decide whether or not to approve the allocation of funds to projects.

Resolved:

1. That the expenditure, commitments and balances for Middleton Township revenue and capital funds as detailed in Appendix 1 and 2 of the report be noted;
2. That decisions made under delegated authority as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report be noted;
3. That it be noted that the Townships & Communities Manager had assessed proposed projects to be considered for funding against the criteria of eligibility for the Middleton Township Fund, the priorities of the Township and that any specific risks had been identified in the report;
4. That the applications for Township Funds be dealt with as follows:-

APPLICATION	DECISION
Evesham Road Waiting Restrictions	Application refused
Long Street Waiting Restrictions	Application deferred
New Footway outside Old Cock PH, Oldham Road	Application refused
Malta Close & Tonge Roughts Waiting Restrictions	Allocation of £4,000 East Ward Capital
Notice Board at Jumbo Community Centre	Allocation of £1,000 East Ward Capital £2,667 Township Capital Projects
10 Stuart Street Gate	Allocation of £700 East Ward Revenue
Pedestrian Dropped Crossing – Mainway	Allocation of £7,490 South Ward Capital
Greenspace behind Mainway, Access Path	Allocation of £7,590 South Ward Revenue

Bowlee Heritage Group	Allocation of £4,000 Township Project Revenue, subject to all supporting evidence being received and delegated to Cllr West & Cllr Williams.
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Reasons for the Recommendations:

Management of the Middleton Township Fund was delegated to the Middleton Township Devolved Funding and Devolved Services Sub Committee.

Middleton Township Funds were allocated to projects that benefitted the Township's community and environment, realised the Township priorities.

The decision ensured the Sub Committee monitored and reviewed the use of the Middleton Township Funds to ensure continued efficient and effective use of the funds.

Eligible for call in - yes